

# Preposition Practice

*Fill in the blanks with **on**, **in**, **at**, or **to**.*

Halloween is celebrated \_\_\_\_\_ the United States \_\_\_\_\_ October 31st. It is not an official holiday, so everyone has to go \_\_\_\_\_ school or work. But the fun begins \_\_\_\_\_ night. Actually, the celebration begins \_\_\_\_\_ the afternoon from 4 p.m. \_\_\_\_\_ about 6 p.m. for younger children; but older kids go out \_\_\_\_\_ night when it's scary!

What do they do? Well, children, and lots of adults, dress up \_\_\_\_\_ costumes and go \_\_\_\_\_ their neighbors houses. When the neighbor comes \_\_\_\_\_ the door, the children \_\_\_\_\_ the door cry "Trick or Treat!" They try to frighten their neighbor and expect him or her to put candy or fruit \_\_\_\_\_ the bags that they are carrying.

Halloween is really very old. The name comes from All Hallows' Eve-- a "hallow" is the word that people \_\_\_\_\_ 19th Century England gave \_\_\_\_\_ the spirits of dead people. November 1st is All Saints Day \_\_\_\_\_ the Christian calendar, but people who love to be scared celebrate \_\_\_\_\_ the night before.

Trick-or-treaters dress up \_\_\_\_\_ costumes as ghosts, goblins, ghouls, skeletons, and vampires. What are these creatures? Look up the words \_\_\_\_\_ a good dictionary. In addition \_\_\_\_\_ going \_\_\_\_\_ doors for frights and candy, people go \_\_\_\_\_ parties \_\_\_\_\_ Halloween. The best feature \_\_\_\_\_ these parties is usually a costume contest. The people who go \_\_\_\_\_ these parties also carve pumpkins to make jack o' lanterns--people cut eyes, a nose and a mouth \_\_\_\_\_ these orange fruits. Then they put a candle \_\_\_\_\_ the pumpkin to make a lantern.

The history of Halloween is not always happy. \_\_\_\_\_ some large cities, there are fires \_\_\_\_\_ Halloween. People seem to get carried away with wanting to scare others. Other bad things that happen \_\_\_\_\_ Halloween are that some bad people put needles and other things \_\_\_\_\_ the candy they give \_\_\_\_\_ children to hurt them.

Halloween can be fun, but it can be dangerous. My favorite place to be \_\_\_\_\_ midnight \_\_\_\_\_ Halloween is \_\_\_\_\_ home \_\_\_\_\_ bed with a scary movie \_\_\_\_\_ TV! Be careful!